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February 26, 2004 LB 449, 559, 818, 915, 962A, 999, 1172, 1174  
1196

Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance,  
Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: LB 915 does advance. Do you have some items  
for the record, Mr. Clerk, or announcements, or whatever?

ASSISTANT CLERK: Thank you, Mr. President. Your Committee on  
General Affairs reports LB 1196 to General File with amendments,  
LB 1174 as indefinitely postponed. Committee on Natural  
Resources reports LB 1172 to General File with amendments. New  
A bill. (Read LB 962A by title for the first time.) I have a  
report from the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs  
Committee on appointments to the State Personnel Board; motions  
to LB 449 and LB 559 from Senator Chambers to be printed in the  
Journal, and Senator Quandahl to LB 999. (Legislative Journal  
pages 791-792.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Mr. Clerk, next bill.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, the next bill is LB 818, as  
offered by Senator Schimek. (Read title.) The bill was read  
for the first time on January 7 of this year, referred to the  
Health and Human Services Committee. That committee reports the  
bill directly to General File.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Schimek,  
you're recognized to open on the advancement of LB 818. I'm  
sorry. Go ahead.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Mr. President and members. I  
appreciate the opportunity to bring this bill to you, because it  
will give you some idea of what has been accomplished with the  
bill that passed in 2000 which established the Women's Health  
Initiative. The purpose of this bill is to remove the sunset  
provision from that bill. At the time that it passed, it was  
with a great deal of discussion and it was agreed by everyone  
that we would put a sunset clause on it of 2004. And probably  
surrounding that whole discussion was a general philosophical  
discussion about boards and commissions, and how we need to keep